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IN THE UNITED STATES
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Applicants:)
Sander, Tom, *et al.*)
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U.S. Serial No.: 09/701,933)
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Filed: August 20, 2001)
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For: "CORTICAL BONE CERVICAL SMITH-)
ROBINSON FUSION IMPLANT")
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Group Art Unit: 3738)
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Examiner: Bruce Edward Snow)
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of 12/05/02, for which a response was
due 03/05/03, now extended two (2) months to 05/05/03, the Applicants request that the
Examiner first enter the amendment to the claims before considering the Applicants'
arguments on their merits.

In the Claims:

A compilation of all claims, reflecting amendments to be entered to claims
59, 65-66 and 70, are provided below in the now acceptable proposed "revised format"
as per 37 C.F.R. § 1.121: